

Community & Health Resources Identified as Inadequate by Population Subgroup by Washington County Health Council During Community Diagnosis Process

Disabled & Older	Indigent and/or Homeless	Children & Youth
Daycare	Dentists/Oral Surgeons	Group Homes
Audiologists	Prescription Drugs	Headstart Programs
Group/Nursing Homes	Alcohol/Drug Treatment	Juvenile Court Services
Housing	Community Health Clinics	School Nurses
Transportation for Medical Care	Outpatient Mental Health	
Assisted Living		

D. Vital Statistics/Health Status Data

Secondary data (information already collected from other sources for other purposes) provided the Washington County Health Council with information about the health status of their community. It was assembled by the State Office of Assessment & Planning and compiled by the Community Development Program, Northeast Tennessee Region, for the council's analysis.

Vital statistics cover pregnancy & birth, mortality, and morbidity information for the county, region, and state; each set of information is separated into the categories of *All Races*, *Non-White*, and *White*. These statistics are made available in three-year moving averages, which smooth trend lines and eliminate wide fluctuations ('spikes' and 'valleys') in year-to-year rates that distort true trends. Ten (10) three-year averages are available for each health indicator, occurrence, or event for use in examining significant trends in those health indicators. Where applicable, vital statistics comparing the county, region, and state were also compared by the council with the nation's "Healthy People 2000" objectives.

Data were compared to the corresponding data for the Northeast Tennessee Region, as well as for the State of Tennessee.

The Vital Statistics Subcommittee received information for the following population and health status indicators:

- ✓ Population Trends 1990 to 1996
- ✓ Average Number of Fetal Deaths per 1,000 Live Births in Females 10-44 from 1990-1995